HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT & HOUSING

H-7955, H-7813, H-7956, H-7723 AND H-7953 HAVE BEEN POSTPONED AT SPONSORS' REQUEST

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, March 17, 2022

TIME: Rise of the House

PLACE: Room 101 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

House Resolution No. 7576

BY Shekarchi, Speakman, Edwards

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE ENTIRE AREA OF LAND USE, PRESERVATION, DEVELOPMENT, HOUSING, ENVIRONMENT, AND REGULATION {LC4901/1} (Extends the reporting and expiration dates of the commission to study the entire area of land use, preservation, development, housing, environment, and regulation, from April 30, 2022, to June 8, 2023, and would expire on June 30, 2023.)

02/18/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/02/2022 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/11/2022 Scheduled for consideration

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. 7512

BY Cortvriend, McGaw, Donovan, Edwards

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL

POWERS--PORTSMOUTH MUNICIPAL COURT {LC4638/1} (Repeals the current authorization for town of Portsmouth municipal court and establishes authorization which expands the jurisdiction of Portsmouth municipal court to include a municipal housing court to adjudicate violations of the state building code.)

02/16/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7513

BY Messier, Barros, Kazarian, Alzate, Felix, Tobon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

{LC4533/1} (Amends the hours of operation for Class A liquor license holders in Pawtucket.)

02/16/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

BY Azzinaro, Filippi, Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES {LC4888/1} (Exempts any proposed retailers' Class B license to be located at 163 Main Street, Westerly, RI, Map 66, Lot 11 from the two hundred feet (200') requirement from the premises of schools or places of worship.)

02/18/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. <u>7581</u> BY Knight, Speakman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES {LC4918/1} (Exempts any proposed retailers' Class B license to be located at 4 Market Street, Plat 3, Lot 74 in the town of Warren from the two hundred feet (200') requirement from the premises of schools or places of worship.)

02/18/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7723

BY Filippi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND HOUSING RESOURCES ACT OF 1998 -- NEW SHOREHAM AFFORDABLE HOUSING ELIGIBILITY {LC5056/1} (Increases the percentage of area median income from one hundred twenty percent (120%) to one hundred forty percent (140%) only for New Shoreham residents to make more households eligible for affordable housing.)
03/02/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing
03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7724

BY Carson, Vella-Wilkinson, Slater, McEntee, Solomon, Barros, Cortvriend ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- TOURISM IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS {LC4801/1} (Enables municipalities to create tourism improvement districts to increase economic activity in the tourism industry.)
03/02/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing
03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7725

BY Cortvriend, Knight, Tanzi, Speakman, Kislak, Cassar, Caldwell, Henries ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ORDINANCES {LC3352/1} (Allows cities and towns to create ordinances to regulate use and sale of cigarettes and other tobacco products.)

03/02/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

BY Azzinaro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC5157/1} (Allows municipalities to establish a program providing property tax exemption to active duty individuals who volunteer services as a firefighter or emergency medical technician.) 03/02/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7813

BY Morales, Kislak, Williams, Ranglin-Vassell, J Lombardi, Biah, Filippi, Diaz, Amore, Slater ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC4919/1} (Allows the host city or town to impose a two percent (2%) tax on the endowment of a private institution of higher education, to be used only for the host's public school district.) 03/03/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7814

BY P Morgan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC5123/1} (Provides for a revenue neutral tax rate which, if modified, would receive public hearings and a vote by the governing body to exceed the rate.) 03/03/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. <u>7815</u>

BY McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC4229/1} (Provides that in the town of Warwick, no separate class or zoning district be assigned or designated based solely upon a scenic view. No property in particular class/zoning district be assessed increased rate from other properties because of scenic view.) 03/03/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7951

BY Fellela, Perez, J Lombardi, Costantino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWNS OF JOHNSTON AND SMITHFIELD -- REGIONAL JUVENILE HEARING BOARD {LC5348/1} (Amends the public law creating the Johnston/Smithfield Regional Juvenile Hearing board to allow a board member to serve more than two terms if no other person seeks appointment to the board.)

03/07/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

BY Ackerman, McLaughlin, Marszalkowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- ABANDONMENT BY TOWNS {LC4998/1} (Allows the town of Cumberland upon request to sell the highway or driftway to the abutting owner at fair value.)

03/07/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7953

BY Serpa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - HEALTH AND

EDUCATIONAL BUILDING CORPORATION {LC5149/1} (Provides municipalities in the state with appropriate additional means to improve the health, living conditions, and welfare of their residents with expanded access to public educational, or child daycare centers, or public recreational facilities.)

03/07/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7954

BY Morales, Kislak, J Lombardi, Potter, Henries, Williams, Batista, Perez ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL POWERS

{LC4804/1} (Requires all municipalities in Rhode Island to provide residents twenty-four (24) hours notice of all snowstorm cancellations.)

03/07/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7955

BY Alzate, Noret, Barros

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL

TAXES {LC5289/1} (Allows cities/towns to exceed max levy cap based on increased valuations as a result of new construction development.)

03/07/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7956

BY Morales, Williams, Ranglin-Vassell, J Lombardi, Diaz, Biah, Batista, Perez

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC4984/1} (Places limitations on the tax-exempt real and personal property a private nonprofit college or university may hold.)

03/07/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing 03/11/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

BY Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC5413/1} (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of Sophia Academy, San Miguel Education Center, and Community Preparatory School, Inc., all of which are located in the city of Providence.)

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PROCEDURAL INFORMATION:

The meeting will be televised on Capitol Television, which can be seen on Cox Channels 15, and 61, in high definition on Cox Channel 1061, on Full Channel on Channel 15 and on Channel 34 by Verizon subscribers.

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Written testimony is strongly encouraged and may be submitted via **HouseMunicipalGovernmentandHousing@rilegislature.gov**

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IN PERSON TESTIMONY

Individuals may testify in person before the committee at the State House. Sign-up sheets are available in/outside the hearing room.

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